

Application No. 10/607,716
Reply dated October 20, 2005
In Reply to September 20, 2005 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment

REMARKS

The Notice states that the June 27, 2003 Preliminary Amendment is non-compliant because it failed to meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Specifically, a complete listing of all of the claims is not present. Correction of the Amendments to the Claims is required.

Applicants respectfully point out that the Preliminary Amendment was filed on June 27, 2003, more than one month before the revisions to 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 took effect. See MPEP § 714 at 700-207 (Rev. 2, May 2004) ("All amendments filed on or after July 30, 2003 must comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 as revised"). Thus, compliance with revised 37 C.F.R. § 1.121 is not required.

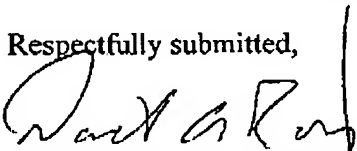
However, for the Examiner's convenience, applicants submit herewith a corrected Amendments to the Claims in compliance with revised 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. No new matter has been added. Entry of this revised Amendments to the Claims is respectfully requested. Applicants apologize for any inconvenience the original Amendment may have caused the Examiner.

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